

Oxford Reading Tree and the simple view of reading

✓ Integrated speaking and listening opportunities

✓ High quality phonics teaching

✓ Language comprehension at the heart of *Oxford Reading Tree*

See inside
how the nation's
favourite reading
programme perfectly
supports the simple
view of reading



How *Oxford Reading Tree* can help you deliver the renewed Framework

The simple view of reading focuses on two core areas for developing reading skills: word recognition (phonics and high frequency words) and language comprehension. It also puts greater emphasis on developing speaking and listening skills and reinforces the importance of embedding reading within a broad and rich curriculum.

***Oxford Reading Tree* has never been more relevant for teaching your pupils how to read.**

All our resources perfectly support the simple view of reading helping you to deliver reading success!

Speaking and Listening

The simple view of reading places increasing importance on the role of speaking and listening in developing your pupils' early reading skills.

Oxford Reading Tree has always placed real emphasis on the part speaking and listening plays in early language development. Much-loved Biff, Chip and Kipper stories, and the supporting teaching materials and activities all actively encourage talk.

- **Big Talkabout Cards**

Introduce and encourage class discussions about the characters and settings to provide the perfect way in to the stories.

- **Big Books**

The Big Book Teaching Notes contain extended stories and related questions which encourage children to predict what might happen and empathise with the characters and storylines.

- **Stage 1-9 Biff, Chip and Kipper Stories**

Multi-layered storylines and the humorous illustrations encourage interaction with your pupils as they follow their favourite characters through their latest adventures, and relate them to their own experiences. Speaking and listening activities are provided for each title in the free teaching notes to further develop these skills.



Word Recognition

The simple view of reading recommends systematic phonics teaching, which is enriched by a wide variety of good quality readers – right from the earliest stages of reading.

Oxford Reading Tree's Biff, Chip and Kipper stories not only provide your pupils with exceptionally well-written stories with clear reading progression but they also offer many opportunities to reinforce the phonic skills and knowledge that children will be developing in the initial structured phonics teaching outlined in the renewed Framework.

Oxford Reading Tree stories have been written using a mix of high-frequency and phonic words which can be blended and sounded out, enabling your pupils to apply their phonic skills. The Stories also include high interest vocabulary which helps to develop children's language and comprehension.



He lay on his bed.

"He looks bad," said Kipper.



The children sat in the den but it began to rain.

The rain splashed into the den. "I'm getting wet," said Kipper.

Language Comprehension

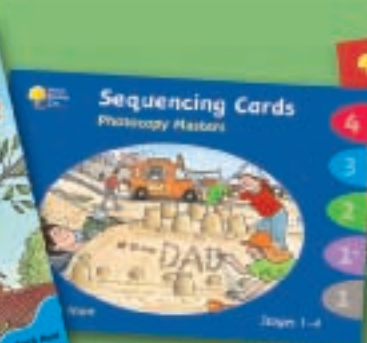


The simple view of reading recommends developing language comprehension skills alongside your pupils' word recognition skills so that they not only have the ability to decode and recognise words within a text, but they also understand and enjoy real and meaningful stories.

Oxford Reading Tree continues to be a fantastic reading programme for teaching language comprehension. Language comprehension is at the heart of *Oxford Reading Tree's* Biff, Chip and Kipper stories, as the multi-layered stories follow a group of characters through real plots from the earliest stages of reading.

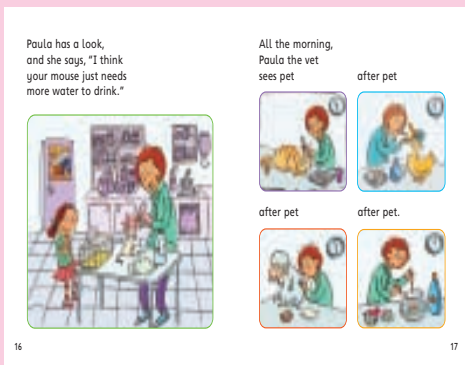
The books are full of humour, drama and storylines that will have your pupils hooked as they follow the characters through their latest adventures. Children actively predict, visualise and engage with the story in a meaningful way.

Supporting teaching materials including teaching notes (free with every pack), group activity sheets, workbooks and games, are full of activities to further develop pupils' comprehension skills.



As you can see *Oxford Reading Tree* has never been more relevant for teaching your pupils how to read in line with the simple view of reading.





Oxford Reading Tree brings you a complete synthetic phonics programme for developing your pupils' early reading skills. *Songbirds* meets all the National Primary Strategy's list of criteria for a high-quality phonics teaching programme.

Songbirds delivers systematic, quality phonics teaching through a blended and multi-sensory approach guaranteed to deliver reading success!

This blended programme consists of:

36 fun, fully decodable stories written by best-selling author of *The Gruffalo*, Julia Donaldson.

- Lively phonic stories for children to practise their phonic reading skills
- Fully decodable texts with built-in progression to help your pupils achieve immediate success
- Expertly levelled into *Oxford Reading Tree* Stages for easy classroom management
- Free Teaching Notes with every pack, highlight focus phonics for every title

NEW Interactive whiteboard software for systematic, quality phonics teaching through a multi-sensory approach

- Three CD-ROMs at Stages 1+ - 2, 3-4, 5-6
- Perfect for interactive whiteboard use for whole class teaching
- Teaches all 44 phonemes
- Alphabet rhymes and animations to teach letter-sound relationships
- Interactive versions of all 36 *Songbirds* stories for phonics practice
- Simple software you can use with total confidence



The National Primary Strategy has drawn up a list of criteria to help in the selection of a high-quality phonics programme. *Oxford Reading Tree's Songbirds* meets all these requirements perfectly – including:

- ✓ Systematic, synthetic approach with pace
- ✓ Clear, structured progression for learning all grapheme-phoneme correspondences
- ✓ Blending and segmenting activities to reinforce reading – writing link as a reversible process
- ✓ Multi-sensory approach through interactive software
- ✓ Strong focus on speaking and listening skills
- ✓ Opportunities for assessment
- ✓ Fully compatible with a broad and rich curriculum

New Oxford Reading Tree's MagicPage

Reception/P1
coming May 2007

Interact with Biff, Chip and Kipper as never before!

Oxford Reading Tree's new *MagicPage* brings all your favourite characters and stories to your interactive whiteboard for whole-class teaching from May 2007.

This fully blended programme moves seamlessly from work on the whiteboard to phonics and comprehension practice on paper with Speaking, Listening, Phonics and Comprehension activities for every story!

- *MagicPage* is fully aligned to the renewed Framework and the simple view of reading
- New *MagicPage* technology brings your favourite stories and characters to life: change story-endings, hot-seat characters, watch videos linked to the wider world and much more!
- Personalised Assessment for Learning helps you to monitor every child's progress



Sample screenshot from Oxford Reading Tree MagicPage Reception/P1 CD-ROM

